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#### NYC police may get body armor, after cop is saved by his vest

offer hy city officials that would provide soft body armor for the metropolis's law enforcement personnel. The proposal was made earlier this month after the life of a transit police officer was saved when his bulletproof vest deflected an assailant's

Commenting on the incident, Mayor Edward Koch told the New York Daily News that he would fund the purchase of vests for all of the city's officers, if Police Commissioner Robert McGuire requests such a move. "Thank God for that bulletproof vest," Koch said. "Whatever the police commissioner requests to save the lives of police officers will always be granted. It will be a top priority."

Upon hearing the mayor's proposal, McGuire remarked that he would issue a

#### **Justice Dept.** to reshuffle criminal unit

A major shake-up of the Justice Department's Criminal Division is in the works, according to the National Law Journal, which reported last month that the reorganization effort is designed to improve the unit's effectiveness by restructuring its internal lines of authority.

Although the plan has yet to be approved by Congress and Attorney General Griffin B. Bell, Assistant Attorney General Philip H. Heymann, who heads the division, is reported to be meeting with his section chiefs to discuss possible new

The proposal would redefine the roles of seven of the unit's 10 section heads and create a fourth deputy assistant attorney general within the division. The latter post would be filled by Mark Richard, the current chief of the Fraud Section, who would be put in charge of a new office, dealing with long-range planning.

Three of the division's existing sections Government Regulations and Labor, Special Litigation, and General Crimes are destined to be scrapped under the plan. Their functions would be taken over by a new section and several new offices,

The reorganization effort is the brainchild of Richard Darman of Harvard University Law School, who was called in by Heymann last August to examine the "functions, management and performance of the division !

Darman submitted his findings in October, disconcerting many division personnel who feared that the plan may cost them their jobs. But Heymann has at-

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recommendation on the offer "very soon," noting that his department must study which vests are the best and also whether or not police officers would wear them."

Shortly before Koch made his funding offer to McGuire, Samuel DeMilia, the president of the Patrolmen's Benevolent Association, reported that his groups would use \$24,000 which it raised at a recent policemen's ball to huy 240 lightweight vests. He noted that a lottery would he conducted among the NYCPD's 18,000 police officers to determine which officers would receive the devices, and he urged the public to make donations to a special fund for additional body armot purchases.

DeMilia's counterpart, Transit Police Benevolent Association president William McKechnie, took a different tack, announcing that the entire 2,700-member subway force could be provided with vests for under \$300,000. He pointed out that the figure is less than it would cost to fund pension and benefit payments to the survivors of one slain officer, whose life could have been saved by soft body armor.

Noting that the Transit Authority force currently owns less than half a dozen vests, McKechnie charged that the city has an ohligation "to protect the people who are protecting its citizens. We're being pennywise and pound foolish with police officers' lives.

It was the wisdom of transit police officer William Winder, 28, that touched off the sudden interest in bulletproof vests among city officials and police union leaders. On the night of January 8, Winder was wearing his three-pound, under-the-shirt vest, which he had purchased for \$125, when he was summoned from his subway posr to investigate a robbery in progress. When Winder armved at the seene, a small bar in the Bronx, he ordered the three suspects to freeze, prompting one of them to fire point-blank at him with a shotgun. The blast forced dozens of pellets to penetrate his face, neck and upper shoulders, but police reported that twothirds of the harrage was safely absorbed hy the vest.

Winder managed to move to a nearby restaurant and radio for help, which reportedly came in minutes from regular city police. The wounded officer was reported in stable condition after he was taken to a Bronx hospital, and police report that they are searching for three suspects involved in

LEAA has been advocating rhe use of vests by all police officers for the past several years. The agency regularly reports on incidents involving the lives of officers being saved by the devices, and in 1977, it awarded a \$1.5 million grant for vest field tests in 15 cities.

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### Nation's toughest drug law passes Supreme Court test

law, considered to be the strictest in the nation, withstood a challenge in the Supreme Court this month, in spite of the prorests of two Justices who denounced the statute as being unreasonably severe.

According to the Associated Ptess, the constitutional test came in the form of an appeal by two women who had been sentenced under the law to as much as life imprisonment in separate cases involving small quantities of cocaine. Only Associate Justices Thurgood Marshall and Lewis F. Powell Jr favored reviewing the cases, while it takes at least four of the nine members of the Court to grant review of an appeal.

In a dissenting opinion, Marshall, joined by Powell, described the statute as being unconstitutional, noting that the gravity of New York State's drug dilemma cannot be considered as a valid justification for the law's stiff penalties

"However serious its nareotics problem, New York cannot constitutionally treat those with peripheral involvement in drug trafficking as if they were responsible for the problem in its entirety," the justice stated

One of the women involved in this month's appeal, Martha Carmona, had

New York State's controversial drug pleaded guilty in 1975 to possessing an ounce of a substance containing coeaine. The second petitioner, Roberta Fowler, was convicted almost five years ago of selling a fraction of an ounce of a substance containing cocaine to an undercover agent for \$20. She was sentenced to four years to life, while Car mona was given a six years to life ptison

> Marshall traced his dissenting argument back to the beginnings of American jurisprudence. "Few legal principles are more firmly tooted in the Bill of Rights and its common-law antecedents than the requirement of proportionality between a crime and its punishment," he said.

> Pointing out what he viewed as a discrepancy in the statute's punitive aspeets, the Justice observed that under the drug law, defendants convicted of possession or sale of nareotics faced a sentence that exceeded the penalties presembed by the state for such crimes as manslaughter and forcible rape

> In 1976, a Federally-funded study indicated that the statute was not living up to expectations, finding that the actual number of drug offenders sentenced to prison declined under the stricter law.

#### Chicago court to decide whether vets should get promotion edge

The issue of whether military veterans chances of being promoted in the future. should be given an advantage on Chicago's police promotion lists was taken to court last month in two separate cases, with a group of 37 sergeants arguing against the concept and a lieutenant supporting it.

As reported by the Chicago Tribune, the dispute centers on a municipal personnel department rule which requires that extra points be tacked on to the scores of hiring exams taken by military veterans, thereby improving their positions on employment lists. The regulation stipulates that such an applicant must have served on active duty for one year between 1940 and 1973, and not have been subject to a dishonorable

Contending that another rule requires promotion lists to be prepared the same way as employment rankings, Lieutenant Joseph Curtin is seeking a court order from Circuit Court Judge Arrbur Dunne in regard to his placement on the captains list. The petition requests that city personnel director Charles Pounian award the lieutenant five extra points for his service in the Navy during the early 1960s.

According to Curtin's suit, the added five points would greatly improve his The court papers noted that he received a numerical score of 86,60 on the promotion test, placing him 77th on the list, but that his veteran's status would give him a 91.60 exam score and an 11th ranking on the promotion roll,

The lieutenant claims that almost a year after he complered the captains test in November 1977, the promotion list was posted "for the purpose of permitting the persons ranked to request that veterans preferance points be added to their final examination score," However, when he petitioned the personnel department to add on the veterans credits last October 25, officials there refused his request.

Curtin's attorney, Daniel Houlihan, said that the department denied his client the extra points on the grounds that, under department rules in existence hefore 1977 Curtin was entitled to veteran's preference only if he served during wartinic.

But in providing an official response to the lieutenant's suit, the city maintained that veterans points apply only to employment lists, the Curtin failed to show any right to such points on the promotion roll,

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# EVIDENCE TECHNICIAN PROGRAM MANUAL

By Joseph L. Peterson and James H. Jones

The utilization of scientific methods for the examination of physical evidence recovered in the course of criminal investigations has become a critically important function of the nation's law enforcement agencies. This manual examines the role of police ollicers and civilians charged with the responsibility of searching crime scenes for physical evidence and returning it to the lorensic laboratory for analysis. These individuals, olten referred to as evidence or crime scene technicians, are on the staffs of most urban police departments today. Many agencies now train evidence technicians to he specialists who devote their total professional attention to the search for physical evidence. Through specialization, it can be expected that crime scenes will be searched with less delay and greater expertise than in situations where patrol, detective or crime laboratory personnel have shared responsibility for recovering the

Five important aspects of developing an ellective evidence technician program are discussed in this manual. The key element is the selection and training of competent personnel who will become evidence technicians. Next in importance are tools, kits and vehicles which are used by the technician in processing crime scenes. Also discussed is the need for a strong organizational commitment to the crime scene search function, the implementation of actual field operations, and linally, means for evaluating an evidence technician operation. Guidelines for developing meaningful program objectives and appropriate criteria lor measuring progress toward those objectives are presented.

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# Confidentiality of police personnel files upheld

A Federal judge ruled last month that police in Albuquerque, New Mexico can withhold certain information contained in their personnel files from a grand jury that has been investigating alleged police brutality in the city.

According to the Washington Post, the ruling is considered to he a victory for Albuquerque Mayor David Rusk, who for the past six months has refused to hand over the personnel files of two officers accused of using excessive force in carrying out their duties

In withholding the data, Rusk and two city attorneys had risked jail terms and a \$150,000 fine, under contempt-of-court charges imposed by U.S. District Court Judge Santiago Campos. The judge removed the penalties on December 27, a week after the mayor agreed to provide the Federal grand jury with expurgated versions of the officers' files.

Explaining his refusal to hand over the complete dossiers, Rusk noted that "there is nothing in them directly related to the ease," and that they contain statements extracted from the officers under threat of dismissal and with the promise of confidentiality.

When asked why he suddenly accepted the mayor's limited compliance, Campos indicated that he had not been made aware of the nature of the files until December 26. "It was not until today that evidence was presented specifically related to the manner in which the [compelled] statements were obtained."

Prior to removing the contempt charges against. Rusk and his aides, Campos had questioned the two officers in his chambers.

The American Civil Liberties Union attorney who represented the pair noted that the case involved the constitutional issue of self-incrimination. "The officers have a legitimate lifth Amendment right not to have compelled testimony used against them," he stated.

Meanwhile, Rusk, who is the son of tormer U.S. Secretary of State Dean Rusk, said he was "highly pleased" with the ruling "I don't tend to think in apocalyptic terins," he commented. "The decision was highly important, though, in terms of the potential loss of good internal police discipline. Compelled testimony is critical

information in departmental investigations

During the six months of legal jousting with the grand jury, the mayor had maintained that internal police investigations are the most effective protection against police brutality.

#### LEAA to fund program to streamline state courts

The Law Enforcement Assistance Administration is seeking applications to its Fundamental Court Improvement Program, an effort designed to aid states in streamlining their court systems and improving the efficiency of their public defender components.

"This program is designed to support initiatives primarily aimed at improving the management, financing, and organization of both state court systems as well as indigent defense delivery systems," a recent LEAA announcement noted. "Financial support will be considered only where the problems cannot be remedied by available technical assistance."

Aspects that will be covered under the court improvement portion of the project include trial court consolidation and court structure simplification, centralized management and planning, centralized rulemaking, centralized budgeting and state financing of courts, and statewide or multicounty pretrial release systems.

Under the indigent defense enhancement phase of the program, assistance will be provided for the creation of statewide or multicounty organized defender systems, the completion of system studies aimed at determining the cost of delivery systems at the regional or state level, the establishment of statewide appellate defender offices, and the development of new statewide or multicounty or regional defender systems.

In spite of the wide-ranging scope of the project, LEAA has warned that financial support will not be provided for a number of specific judicial improvements. These include court training or education programs, information system enhancement or implementation, routine or minor criminal code revision, routine planning, bench or bar committee meeting or conferences, court delay reduction, local jurisdiction court reform, and court construction or renovation.

The program will finance up to eight indepth feasibility studies on the reorganization of court or defense services with grants ranging from \$20,000 to \$75,000 ln addition, up to seven implementation efforts will be supported by grants which will range in size from \$50,000 to \$600,000.

LEAA has developed information packets which are to be used in drafting concept papers and grant applications to the program. No application will be considered unless it includes responses to the key issues contained in the packet, according to LEAA. The filing deadline is April 30, 1979.

For further information about the grant funds, write or eall: Fundamental Court Improvement Program, Adjudication Division. Office of Criminal Justice Programs, Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, Washington, DC 20531. Telephone. (202) 376-3615.

## Laser speeds transmission of arrest fingerprints in NYC

Criminal justice officials in New York City are now able to transmit arrest fingerprint data to an Albany crime computer at space age speeds through the use of a laser system that was installed this month as part of a State Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) pilot project.

The new device, which was invented by DCJS personnel and constructed by the Litton Datalog Corporation, replaces a machine that sent Manhattan arrest prints to the state's central criminal history computer in 14 minutes.

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Billed as "the world's fastest crimecatcher," the unit is capable of beaming the fingerprints in the 180 miles to Albany in 45 seconds. The accelerated data project promises to significantly improve the lead time for arraignment print checks requested by New York City police officers, judges and attorneys.

At an unveiling ecremony in New York City this month, DCJS Commissioner Frank Rogers described the system as "the first 45-second, inter-city capability in the world." Also attending the ceremony were Police Commissioner Robert J. McGuire, Cirywide Administrative Judge David Ross, Transit Authority Police Chief Sanford Garelik and Housing Authority Chief Benjamin Ward.

According to a DCJS spokesman, the new system will eventually be installed in other boroughs of the city, and later be expanded to serve DCJS's statewide communications network.

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# Robbery/assault study recommends special handling of cases where victim is injured

A Federally-funded study has questioned the commonly accepted prosecutorial practice of gauging the scriousness of a robhery case on the basis of whether a weapon was used by the offender, recommending that prosecutors also place special emphasis on cases in which a victim is injured

Released earliet this month, a report on the study, entitled "Does the Weapon Matter?" stated that a tobber using a gun is less likely to injure his victim than an unarmed robbet or one using another weapon.

However, the study did not completely discount prosecutors' so called "weapon emphasis policy," noting that one percent of the gun robbers kill their victims, compared to one-fifth of one percent of other armed or unarmed robbers.

Conducted by Assistant Professors Philip J. Cook and Daniel Nagin of Duke University, the study was sponsored by the Institute for Law and Social Research under a LEAA grant. Recent case records from the Washington, D.C. Superior Court formed the data base for the tesearch, with supplementary figures obtained from a study of robbery/murders in Atlanta duting 1976 and 1977, and analysis of data from the National Crime Panel Surveys of 26 large cities.

Although the data from the Superior Court indicated that a greater emphasis was placed on cases in which the defendant used a weapon, Cook noted that no distinction was made among defendants using a gun or other weapon, such as a knife, club or tire iton, in the commission of a robbery.

"This is well within the spirit of the law, however," he said. "The law makes a sharp distinction between armed and unarmed defendants, but not between defendants using a gun as opposed to another wea-

While the death of a victim automatically invoked the felony/murder law, according to the report, no special emphasis was placed on the prosecution of cases in which assailants injured their victims.

"The injury rate is fat above what would be required for the normal, professional business of robbery," Cook pointed out, "Most victims who are injured did not resist prior to heing injured. We found from looking at the murder/robbery files in Atlanta that most people killed in the context of robbery didn't resist in any effective way. It looked like a pattern of victiousness or sadism on the part of the robber."

In calling for the implementation of an injury-emphasis policy in prosecutions, the tesearcher noted that "if an assailant Continued on Page 8

# Sex offenders can be cured, report finds

Convicted sex offenders can be successfully rehabilitated, according to a recent study by the American Correctional Association, which found that there is an urgent need throughout the nation for special programs to treat such etiminals.

Noting that there were only 20 treatment centers in 12 states during 1976, the report stated that the typical convicted sex offender was generally treated exactly like any other jail or prison inmate.

Funded by a \$60,000, 18-month LEAA grant, the study was conducted by Edward M. Brecher who visited a number of the centers and lived in one, under patient conditions, as part of his research. Brecher found that "many sex offenders, including tapists and child molesters, can in fact be tehabilitated through soundly planned, staffed and administered treatment programs."

In spite of his positive findings, Brecher perceived a lack of coordination and an absence of communication among the centers. To remedy the situation, the study called for dissemination of information about existing programs and the expansion of the more successful ones.

The report also urged psychiatrists, judges, women's groups, and others to push for state and local funding to finance the establishment of more treatment facilities. Brechet contended that the treatment of sex offenders is currently a low budget priority in most states.

According to the study, the dearth of programs has resulted in a lack of services for sex offenders who voluntarily seek help, and inadequate treatment for offenders with specific sexual problems that led to past offenses and may lead to new crimes.

Brecher suggested that states and communities focus on two types of treatment, providing "secure" programs for offenders who require detention and out-patient type services for offenders who are on probation or parole and for persons awaiting

# Guard brutality charged at Massachusetts prison, but Federal probe blames violence on inmates

Massachusetts' Walpole State Prison became the subject of public controversy last month, when inmates at the maximum security institution accused guards of brutality and drug peddling, while a Federal investigation and an inspection by two state representatives uncovered no concrete evidence to back the prisoners' charges.

According to the Boston Herald-American, the Federal probe was requested last August by three state legislators who presented a U.S. Attorney with more than 900 complaints of guard brutality at Walpole. The trio charged that there was an "atmosphere of fear and terror" within the prison and call for the removal of Superintendent Fred A. Butterwotth.

U.S. Attorney Edward F. Harrington called in the FBI in October to examine the allegations but a bureau report which was made available to the attorney last month indicated that the institution is relatively free of guard misconduct.

"Despite reports of overcrowding, poor sanitary conditions and the like, the principal problem pervading Walpole based on the FBI investigation is one of extreme inmate violence precipitated by a relatively small group," Harrington said, adding that the correction officers are forced to react firmly to prisoner violence "for failure to do so would result in total chaos at the prison."

The FBI report has not put an end to the controversy surrounding the 23-year-old, 650-man prison, which was the site of five murders this year. State authorities are continuing ongoing investigations, and the head of Harrington's civil rights unit said that several specific complaints of violence are still being examined.

Harrington observed that the decision not to prosecute any guards at this time was based on factors such as the age of many of the complaints, the lack of corroboration by independent witnesses and the absence of serious injuries in many cases. He went on to say that some of the charges were questionable in view of "exculpatory evidence" which indicated that certain inmates had plotted to kill or assault correction officers.

The attorney acknowledged that the FBI report did not give a clean hill of health to the prison on the whole, "We are heavy concerned with the volence that, at

times, seems to overwhelm the prison," he said. "We will continue to investigate any substantive allegations of guard brutality."

Based on the report's findings, Harrington offered his solution to what critics have called a "horror show" at Walpole, "To preserve an orderly environment within the prison, the relatively few instigators should be segtegated from the great majority."

One of the legislators who had called for the probe, State Senator Jack Backman, was apparently unimpressed with Harrington's conclusion. The lawmaker declared that problems at the institution "will not be alleviated until dehumanized living conditions are improved."

Backman was particularly distressed over Harrington's failure to make the FBI's findings public. "The actual report of the U.S. attorney's office is not a public record and is inaccessible to me or other members of the public," he remarked. "No one can judge the appropriateness of the conclusions."

Charging that "each level of government is apparently washing its hands" of the Walpole situation, the legislator contended that "rapes, murders and drug traffic" at the prison "are the order of the day."

The allegations that both guards and inmates at Walpole are participating in a profitable drug trafficking scheme surfaced earlier last month in an article by the Associated Press. One inmate, who asked not to be identified, said he knew of at least three officers who cooperated with prisoners in bringing drugs into the institution, while others concurred that a small but active group of guards is involved in the smuggling.

Correction officials quoted in the article attributed most of the violent disruptions at the institution to the presence of narcotics, noting that the violence is sometimes caused by disputes over inmate drug dehts, while other incidents are provoked by prisoners under the influence of drugs. "If you cut off the flow of drugs, [prison conditions] would improve immediately," Superintendent Butterworth stud.

While both inmates and guards agree on the magnitude of the Walpole drug problem, they have differing notions about where the narcotics are coming from.

The prisoners acknowledged that some

of the smuggling is conducted by visitors to the institution, but they stressed that most of the drugs are carried in by guards. They pointed out that while visitors may be frisked or asked to strip, guards and other staff members only have to empry their pockets before being admitted to the prison.

Michael McLaughlin, the president of the guards' association, saw the problem from a different perspective. "Certainly you have to expect that some staff might be involved," he said. "I do not helieve we are involved in the majority of the drug traffic."

But correction officer Jessie Motta Jr., a seven-year veteran at Walpole, noted that it would be "very naive to say that a staff member could not bring in more drugs than a visitor."

McLaughlin's theory was supported by Thomas E. Norton, an assistant district at-Continued on Page 9

# FAA revises antihijack rules; allows airport guards to roam

In a partial revision of the nations's antihijacking strategy, the Federal Aviation Administration tecently canceled the requirement that an armed guard be stationed at every airport screening point, thereby permitting the security officers to patrol at random.

Announcing the policy change last month, FAA security chief Richard Lally told the Associated Ptess that the plan would not reduce efforts against air piracy but would promote officer flexibility as a deterrent to other airport crimes. However, he emphasized that the guards will be required to he in a position to respond quickly to any screening point emergency.

The tactical change is also designed as a cost efficiency measure. Lally noted that it would permit sonie airports to cut their armed security staffs, which are financed by the airport operators and the airlines.

A related revision was made in the Federal regulation that prohibits an individual from carrying a weapon aboard an aircraft. The new rule sets a \$1,000 civil fine for anyone who is found carrying a weapon through a screening station.

Noting that the screening procedure has been an effective deterrent to hijacking, Lally said that since its introduction in 1973, no aircraft has been pirated in the United States because of real firearms or explosives passing undetected through the surveillance points.

Citing FAA figures, the official stated that more than 16,000 firearms had been detected and more than 5,000 persons arrested due to the screening system. He added that 74 hijacking or related offenses might have been prevented by the security measures.

Lally said that the new armed guard policy would not affect most major airports, where the sheer bulk of passenger volume makes it expedient to station guards permanently at the check points, but would be applied mainly in small and medium sized airports.

While the official said he would not know how many operators would take advantage of the new ruling until they submit their plans to the FAA for approval, he noted that the agency "will make certain that ant hijacking security is not lessened."

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# Supreme Court Driefs 1

#### By AVERY ELLOKIN

The Supreme Court justices continue to haffle those who seek to analyze their behavior and understand the logic behind the Court's decisions, Interrupting a recent month-long recess, seven justices returned to the bench in order to deliver two decisions one of which is related to the administration of justice. This decision as well as other actions of the Court are reviewed below

#### Extradition

A governor's action in response to a request for the extradition of a known fugitive, when the request is hased on the demanding state's judicial determination that probable cause exists, precludes further judicial inquiry on the probable cause issue in the asylum state, the Supreme Court decided in its first unanimous decision of the current term.

In the winter of 1975, the petitioner was arrested in Michigan and charged with receiving and concealing stolen property. At the time of the arrest a truck which had been driven from Arizona was in the petitioner's possession.

On the day of the arrest the Michigan authorities sent notice of the arrest and a picture to Arizona authorities. Within two weeks a sworn complaint was filed with an Arizona justice of the peace charging the defendant with theft of the truck, The justice of the peace issued an arrest warrant based on "reasonable cause to believe that such offense(s) were committed."

The following month the Governor of Arizona issued a request for extradition, which was forwarded with the arrest warrant, two supporting affidavits, and the original complaint. The Governor of Michigan issued an arrest warrant and extradition was ordered.

Following arraignment on the Michigan warrant the defendant's counsel sought habeas corpus relief, contending that the extradition warrant was invalid in that it did not meet the specifications set forth in the Uniform Criminal Extradition Act. The motion was denied by the Michigan Court

The Michigan Supreme Court, however, reviewed the morion, reversed the trial court's order and released the defendant. The state's highest court reasoned that since there is a "significant impairment of liberty" whenever a person is arrested and extradited to another state there must a "showing of probable cause" prior to extradition.

Overturning the Michigan Supreme Court holding, a unanimous Supreme Court noted that Article IV, \$2 of the United States Constitution was very explicir on the subject of extradition. In a concurring opinion, Justices Blackmun, Brennan, and Marshall noted that while they were in agreement with Article IV, they were unsure of whether the Fourth Amendment might nor provide for special requirements for extradition warrants.

Writing for the majority, Chief Justice Burger pointed out that as early as 1917, in Biddinger v. Commissioner of Police, 245 U.S. 132-33, the Court had held that "inrerstate extradition was intended to be a summary and mandatory executive procceding," In addition the opinion continued, the U.S. Constitution "never contenplated" whether the asylum state was obligated to conduct a preliminary inquiry

In this precedent setting decision, the court also set forth guidelines to the effect that once a governor grants extradition, a court in that state may only review "historic facts readily verifiable." This includes whether the documents are in order, if the person was actually charged with a crime in the demanding state, the person's identity and whether the person is a fugitive, (Alich igan v. Doran, No. 77-1202, announced

#### Self-incrimination

Affirming a Massachusetts court ruling the Supreme Court held, in a 4-to-4 decision, that a man who was so drunk that "he didn't know what he was doing" could not knowingly and intelligently waive his right to remain silent and consult an attor-

The Massachusetts court had held that statements made to a state trooper when the man was legally intoxicated could not be used as the grounds for a search which produced narcotics and cash from the driv-

Announced in a one sentence opinion, the equally divided court automatically affirmed the lower court's decision. However, only courts in Massachusetts are bound by the Court's action.

Associate Justice Powell took no part in the consideration or decision of the case. In spite of the fact that Justice Powell's lack of participation made the 4-to-4 decision possible, no explanation was released with the decision, as is customary. (Commonwealth of Massachusetts v. White, No. 77-1388, announced December 11,

> The following cases have been denied plenary review

In a one-sentence unsigned opinion the Court dismissed as "improvidently granted" a case scheduled for oral argument which would have reviewed a Georgia state judge's ruling that resulted in the confinement of a 19-year-old female first offender as a result of her inability to pay in lump sum a fine imposed as a condition of

The decision was announced without explanation. Oral argument for the defendant was to have dealt with the fact that denial of probation primarily on economic grounds may be constitutionally offensive.

For further issues raised by this case see Law Enforcement News, October 23, 1978, page 5. Hunter v. Dean, No. 77-6248, announced December 11, 1978.)

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In declining to review a Louisiana Miranda type case the Supreme Court has Continued on Page 8

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#### Alaskan judge rules that cops can't shoot at fleeing felons

Analysis by PETER S. RING

ANCHORAGE - A Superior Court judge recently ruled that an Alaska statute which permits police officers to fire at all fleeing felons is unconstitutional, in that it sanctions the use of deadly force to apprehend a suspect who is not a threat to the life of the officer, a bystander, a victim or any other person.

In an unprecendented ruling on a motion to suppress in State v. Sundberg, No. 3 AN78-3376 Cr., Judge Victor D. Carlson held that the law had the effect of denying a non-dangerous fleeing felon due process of law, and that apprehension through the use of deadly force constituted an unreasonable seizure under Article I, Section 14 of the Alaska Constitution,

The case arose out of the shooting arrest of Russell Sundherg as he fled from a nighttime burglary of a medical office building and pharmacy, An Anchorage police officer patrolling in a marked vehicle observed the defendant emerging from the building carrying a pillow case as a sack, Emerging from his vehicle, the officer shouted "Hold it." When Sundberg continued to run, the officer fired at him with a pellet round from a shotgun, wounding the suspect and enabling the officer to effeet the arrest, No warning shots were fired, in keeping with Anchorage Police Department policy.

Sundberg's attorney, public defender John Murtagh, moved to suppress all evidence stemming from the arrest, including the identification of Sundberg. In agreeing with Sundberg's arguments that state law AS 12.25.080 was unconstitutional to the extent that it authorized the use of deadly force against a fleeing felon who was not

threatening the life of another, Judge Carlson used two distinct lines of reasoning.

Initially in analyzing the Alaska Supreme Court decision iin Gray v. State, 463 P.2d 897 (Alaska 1970), Judge Carlson concluded that the decision could be interpreted to require a demonstration of necessity prior to using deadly force. Since there was no showing of necessity in the Sundberg case, the use of deadly force violates AS 12 25.080's implicit mandate

If, however, his analysis of Gray was incorrect, then Judge Carlson ruled that AS 12,25,080 violated Article I, Sections 7 (due process) and 14 (search and seizure) of the Alaska Constitution. Noting that Alaska's constitutional provisions dealing with search and seizure had been given broader reach by the Alaska Supreme Court than has its Federal counterpart, the Fourth Amendment, Judge Carlson drew on two opinions of that court [Zebrung v. State and Glass v. State] in concluding that while a police officer's use of deadly force niight be necessary to stop a fleeing defendant this does not mean that it was reasonable. In Zehrung the court had ruled that government intrusions must have a justifiable purpose in order to be recognized as reasonable, while in Glass the court had held that effective law enforcement was not a sufficient justification for the violation of a defendant's constitutional rights.

Utilizing a test suggested by a commentary in the Horvard Civil Rights Liberties Law Review, which was similar to a due process test, Judge Carlson determined that a fleeing felon had two fundamental rights which were jeopardized by the use of deadly force, the right to life Continued on Page 6



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#### New 'hard-line' stance on crime should be tempered with justice

Of the fact that we are retrogressing swinging back the pendulum to hard-line procedures in all aspects of crime - rhere can be no doubt, especially when one views the recent lobbying efforts of certain "enlightened" legislators in Mississippi to legalize ducling.

Even the senatorial standard bearer of liberal thought, Edward Kennedy, has recently taken a hard stand on juvenile offenders who commit serious crimes, maintaining that "age cannot justify treating the 17-year-old rapist or murderer differently from his adult counterpart."

In a speech to a police group, Kennedy went on to insist that juvenile offendets be fingerprinted and photographed, and that this information, along with complete criminal records on each offender, be turned over to judges prior to sentencing.

There is a vital caurion to be exercised in these instances, however, one tempered wirli the weight of each crime. It was only 100 years ago thar such procedures made dedicated criminals of petty thieves.

A look at the records of Wandsworth Prison in England, a country that has always prided itself on its humanity to offenders, reveals an unthinking penal system that rivaled the brutality of anything the Inquisition had to offer

In one case, that of 12-year-old William Towens in 1872, the sublime certainly leaped to the ridiculous. Towens was found guilty of taking rwo rame rabbits from a friend's yard; he was convicted of larceny, photographed with a prison numher beneath his bewildered boy's face, and sent off to prison to serve one month at hard lahor.

In the same year, Sidney Lowman, age 17, was starving. He stole a half pint of milk, and was promptly arrested. He, too, was mugged and sent to Wandsworth for a period of six weeks at hard labor. But, perhaps, Wandsworth might be considered a backwater of enlightened thinking on the crime of the era, especially when discovering that one of its residents, Caroline Lightfoot, age 51, had absent-minedly walked from a store with a drinking glass worth sixpence in her hand. She was given two months at hard labor.

A much more constructive attitude toward criminals is currently exemplified in South Carolina, which has just passed new laws that seem bound to encourage productive in-prison work. The new program, entitled Earned Work Credits, allows a one-day credit for each two days worked in prison, applying against the term of sen-

#### Alaska's fleeing felon statute found to be unconstitutional

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and the right to be afforded due process of law and to suffer no deprivation of rights until properly convicted in a court of law,

In contrast to these rights of the defendant, Judge Carlson noted two state interests, preventing future crimes which might be committed if the defendant escaped, and preserving the effectiveness of law enforcement as a deterrence to crime. Since neither the interests of the defendant nor the state were absolute, they had to be balanced, Judge Carlson observed, adding, however, that because fundamental rights were involved, the state was required to demonstrate the existence of an interest equal to or greater than the defendant's right to life and to due process.

Judge Carlson went on to analyze the competing interests, noring first that in our society crime is deterred by the threat of subsequent punishment and to do otherwise is offensive to the presumption of innocence and orlier values central ro our concepts of justice. Moreover, the judge noted, in a state which does not permit capital punishment, the use of deadly force against a fleeing suspect who has not used or threatened to use deadly force himself is grossly disproportionate to any offense he may have committed,

The second state interest, that of effective enforcement, would not be completely negated by his decision, Judge Carlson stated. He pointed out that all force shorr of deadly force is sanctioned, so that the police are not left without means of effeeting arrests. He also observed that many local, state and Federal agencies currently prohibit the use of deadly force against fleeing felons except where human life is threarened.

In short, in instances involving fleeing felons, unless a police officer has a reasonable belief that the suspect is threarening the officers, bystanders, or victims of the erime, deadly force is impermissible.

Comment on the decision from the law enforcement community was quick and critical. Major James T Vaden of the Alaska State Troopers saw the decision as having far-reaching ramifications. "It's going to be hard to differentiate. Was there potential danger? Is the individual a potential danger? It looks like we're going to have to wait until someone is actually in jeopardy, such as someone pulling out a gun and pointing it at a police officer. But I think by that time someone, like the police officer, is going to have a bullet in

Vaden also observed that "the police know that most hurglars are armed, he maintained that this will place severe burdens on police officers.

Major Brian Porter of the Anchorage Police Department indicated that his department will have to review its policies, although they will await a Supreme Court decision. Porter noted that his men encouraged and supported the starc's decision to petition for further review of Carlson's

The Carlson decision is one with little precedent. Only once before has a court ruled such a starute unconstitutional. In Mattis v. Schnarr, \$47 F.2d 1007 (8th Cir. 1976), the court ruled that a similar Missouri law was unconstitutional, basing its holding on the same grounds as those employed by Carlson. That decision was later vacated by the U.S. Supreme Court on procedural grounds.

Carlson's use of the exclusionary rule as an appropriate sanction, however, is apparently without legal precedent. It has generally been argued in eases involving similar issues that an appropriate sanction would include either criminal prosecution on the underlying battery or the pursuit of

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#### Major departments attempt to cope with police officer stress

Editor's note. This is the first of two columns on police stress.)

Most of us intuitively sense that being a policeman is a difficult occupation. Recently many studies have been conducted on just this subject and some serious issues are being raised about the nature of police work and its effects on the individuals who carry our this role.

A recent Northwestern University study showed police work to be second only to air traffic control in its production of physical and psychological stress and stress-related difficulties. These findings were hased on the personal observations and feelings of the author while performing the functions of a patrol officer in a metropolitan law enforcement agency for approximately two years.

Police work brings the officer into potentially dangerous situations for which he must be prepared to act quickly and carefully. It also brings him into contact with the underside of society, the drug abusers, alcohol users, child abusers, rapists and others who are physically assaultive. Frequent shift changes wreak havoc with the officer's personal life, and can upset his physical equilibrium as well. Body temperature differences, lack of proper eating habits (resulting in low blood sugar levels), and lack of good sleep habits may result in confusion and inadequate response to hazardous situations. Over a long period of time, shift changes can wear down the police officer both mentally and physically.

Administrative and organizational characteristics of the police force also are a source of stress for police officers. Some live in constant exposure to danger; others suffer from boredom and routine. The lack of supervision, career development opportunities, departmental resources and individual decision-making authority, plus work overload and punitive policies for errors can aggravate the police officer's job, making it much more anxiety-ridden. Lack of follow-up and feedback on the cases he handles can lead to a sense of frustration and endanger his sense of professionalism. Some authorities say that it is precisely this sense of professionalism that must be kept intact if we want our police force to operate rationally and in the best interest of society.

Besides experiencing intraorganizational difficulties, many policemen view the courts, the media and the public in general as being hostile to their work. They feel that judges and attorneys lack consideration for the police officer, when they demand frequent and lengthy court appearances. The court's leniency toward criminals and the high recidivism rate of offenders can be demoralizing; negative community attitudes toward law enforcement can result in cynicism and anomie

The effects of stress on policemen are illustrated by the increased number of marital problems, dependence on tranquilizers or alcohol, physical disease, depression and suicide. In some departments up to 25 per cent of the force may be in need of treatment for chemical dependency. Another statistic indicares that almost three out of four officers' marriages end in divorce. One study by the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) disclosed these sobering statistics on policemen and their families; serious marital problems, 37 percent; serious alcohol problems, 23 percent; serious problems with children, 20 percent; serious problems with drugs, 10 percent. In a separate study NIOSH found that policemen have a significantly higher rate of premature death than the general population and rank third among occupations in their suicide rate.

Policemen suffer a wide range of psychophysiological disturbances as a result of stress (e.g. skin disorders, backache, muscle cramps, tension, headaches, bronchial asthma, hyperventilation, ulcers, genitourinary disturbances and cardiovascular problems.) In a study of hospital admissions and death certificates policemen ranked high in heart, digestive and endocrine disorders-all stress-related physical ailments.

What can be done about this nationwide situation? Departments across the country-Boston, New York City, Chicago, Minneapolis, Dallas, San Francisco, Los Angeles and many more— are addressing themselves to the problem of police stress and are trying to come up with answers.

In Dallas a physical conditioning program has been set up in order to help policemen improve their health and work off their stress in exercise. Aerobic exercises three days a week, (walking, jogging and running) are preceded by warm-up exercises. After 20 weeks of participation, fitness results showed the officers improved significantly in working capacity, cardiovascular function and muscular endurance and strength. Body fat and waist girth were lowered. This is one step toward helping police officers handle the physically debilitating effects of

Another tack that has been taken with some success has been that of offering mental health services to policemen and/or their families. Some psychologists believe the basic goal in helping a law officer cope with his work is to build a positive self-image and create more self-awareness and understanding of others through counseling. In some departments this has been effected through individual psychological counseling; in others, through alcoholic rehabilitation. Policemen's wives' groups have been formed in order to extend the network of services to include the policeman's personal environment. Peer group counseling or "bull-sessions" have been a different, but popular approach. In these encounters officers can share their fears and learn that it is not unmanly to feel and to express emotion. Peer group sessions work especially well for policemen by virtue of the fact that officers are more likely to open up in front of fellow policemen than in front of "outsiders," Even innovative hiofeedback methods have been used to help officers learn how to relax so that their pent up frustrations will not lead to selfdestructive disease, alcoholism or to violent outburst against others.

The problem of police stress is gaining recognition as a serious one. The programs discussed above are the first steps toward dealing with the problem in constructive and enlightened ways.

## Interagency hostility hinders effectiveness of arson probes

By ANGELO L. PISANITR.

(Editor's note Arson is rising dramatically throughout the United States and the public's attention is being focused on what's being done about it, as recent reparts in the media expose open hostility between the agency heads concerned with the problem. The central issue which has surfaced is the lack of courdination between police and fire agencies. This condition has existed for several reasons, which shall be explored here. In addition, some proposals being studied as possible solutions to the problem will be analyzed and

It is generally agreed that in order to be a successful arson investigator, one must understand numerous facets of fires, fuels,

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people, and investigative procedures. Specifically, an investigator should be well versed in such areas as the chemistry of combustion, the nature and behavior of fire, combustion properties of solid and nonsolid fuels, the role of pyrolysis, fire patterns of structural fires, sources of ignition, investigative techniques, and the legal aspects of arson. Once these complex subjeers have been mastered, the purposes of the investigation must be examined in a logical sequence.

The prosecution of arson is unique in that it is based predominantly on circumstantial evidence. Everyithesses are tare. and in most cases the physical evidence is destroyed by the fire itself or by the firefighting operation. The successful prosecution of an arsonist, therefore, relies heavily on specialized personnel.

The investigation of arson encompasses two specialized phases. During the first phase, the site of the blaze is examined to discover the origin and the cause of the fire, in an effort to determine wherher or not a crime has been commit-

The ability to perform a proper physical examination is learned through a number of processes. Ideally, the investigator

should have a background in fighting different types of fires, so that he may appreciate the nature and behavior of fire. He should also be required to complete courses in fire chemistry and investigation, and be reained on the job by an experienced investigator so that he may apply his newly acquired knowledge, while attempting to correlare it with his firefighring experience.

The second phase, arson investigation, is where the actual criminal investigation is initiated. Since a circumstantial evidence case will be the probable result of the probe, the arsonist's motive becomes paramount. To determine it, the investigator must be proficient in interviewing and interrogating, because his effectiveness is largely dependent upon his ability to obtain information. He should be required to complete courses in criminal investigation, and should have, according to Charles O'Hara, the "qualities of a salesman, an actor and a psychologist, with forcefulness of personality." In addition. the investigator must be well versed in the rules of evidence, the relevant laws, and the many other fundamentals of criminal inves-

After the two investigation phases are completed, the case must be presented to a prosecutor who should be familiar with the legal ramifications of arson and aware of the relevant aspects of chemistry.

In his book Fire Investigation, Kirk noted that if a prosecutor has no understanding of what happens in chemical reactions and of their implications, "he will be seriously handicapped in questioning witnesses, both lay and rechnical. He may even fail to recognize highly significant facts of the fire which can be instrumental in causing adverse judgments in court trials."

While arson has been described as rhe fastest growing crime in America, the nationwide conviction rate for the crime has been estimated to he about one percent. This apparent neglect on the part of the criminal justice system is not consistent with the gravity of the offense.

By way of comparison consider the

large investigative effort given ro bank robbenes by both the FBI and local police," an LEAA report on arson stated 'In 1974 the 3,500 bank robberies in the United States averaged \$3,600 in losses for a total loss of less than \$13 million. During the same year, the 187,000 known and suspected incendiary fires averaged \$3,300 in losses for a rotal loss of \$616

Contributing to the problem is the fact that there is an inadequate number of trained investigators. As a result in most major cities, the work is so voluminous that a large percentage of the investigations are lost by default, with some cases receiving only a perfunctory investigation and many others not being examined at all.

In many American cities, the investigation of arson is further hindered by a perceived lack of cooperation between police and fire agencies. The absence of a coordinated arson effort is particularly apparent in New York City, where both the police and firefighters have the responsibility and jurisdiction to investigate arson. a situation which often results in duplication of efforts.

Interviews with several fire marshals and police officers indicate that a rivalry exists between the two agencies, perpetuated by official policies which have been known to restrict the flow of information. The officers and marshals questioned cited egotism and professional jealousies which have, in the past, emanated from high-ranking officers.

While some participants in the informal survey indicated that fire marshals fear losing their careers as criminal investigators to the police department, others charged rhar the New York City Police Department is traditionally at odds with all other law enforcement agencies. One marshal who was formerly with rhe NYCPD said that "it is bred into you from the very beginning that you, as New York City police officers, are the 'realies,' and other law enforcement officers are subordinate."

An Arson Strike Force has been established in New York City in an effort to improve the effectiveness of arson invesrigations there. The panel is currently examining four alternatives, which, although designed specifically for New York, could be considered by many American cities

The first proposal would leave the situation as it is, with the marshals calling in the police when necessary, but it calls for increasing the manpower of the current 200-member marshal unit and beefing up the squad's knowledge of police procedures and techniques.

Although increasing the manpower and the criminal investigative prowess of the marshals would undoubtedly be a boon to the arson suppression effort, one might wonder how the proposal intends to develop a coordinated effort. Obviously, the rivalry will continue to exist between the marshals and the police due to the overlapping jurisdiction.

Another problem with this suggestion can be found within the fire department itself. Generally, fire departments, which are regulatory agencies, find it difficult to manage and understand a law enforcement body existing within their ranks. Consequently, cooperation berween the firefighters and the fire marshals is forced and morale becomes strained.

A second alternative which is being

would attempt to upgrade the arsonspotting capabilities of officers in the arson and explosion squad-

This proposal fails on a number of counts, one being that the police detective may lack the fire marshal's vested interest in suppressing arson. A fire marshal has empathy for his brother firefighter because he has first-hand experience with the trauma that can occur during firefighting operations.

In regard to training personnel in this highly specialized, technical field, ir is apparent that the firefighter has a tremendous advantage over the police officer in learning arson detection. His years of observing the behavior of fires in their various forms and environments provide the edge which enables him to correlate his firefighting experience with his knowledge of the subject

The third strike force proposal calls for the creation of a new agency, com-Continued on Page 8

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## Nash: FBI should give high priority to bank robbery cases

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Criminal Inflation

Like the prices at our supermarkets, crime in the U.S., according to recently released FBI statistics has spiraled upward in almost all areas from 1973-77 murder, up 2 percent, rape, up 11 percent; aggravated assault up 6 percent; larceny-theft, up 6 percent, hank robbery up a whopping 90 percent; shoplifting, no doubt reflecting the hovering poverty of the middle class, zoomed up by 40 percent; daytime burglary has jumped up 22 percent for residential areas and 29 percent for nonresidential neighborhoods.

(Alarming as these statistics in burglary appear, however, we in this country might consider ourselves fortunate not to live in Paris, France where, as the Paris C.I.D. and Interpol report, a virtual plague of burglars has been ravaging homes and businesses since 1975. Thousands of offenders, mostly juveniles and young men under age 30, have committed 37,033 major burglaries, and in 75 percent of these offenses, the miscreant has entered blithely through the front door.)

FBI Director William Webster is most concerned with the staggering climb in the number of bank robberies, but, as he remarked in a recent speech, "We simply cannot send 100 men ro a single bank robbery and discharge our other priority commitments."

This statement appears odd, when one realizes that in its duties dealing with U.S. crime, the I-BI's chief priority is the handling of bank robberies. When the Dillingers, Floyds, and Barkers ran wild through U.S. banks in the early 1930's, the FBI came into its own as a Federal law enforcement agency, deriving most of the considerable power it presently wields rhrough Congress, which had expressly instructed the agency to combat bank robbery. Hundreds of agents were used to track down the Depressionera bandits, which, quite frankly, is still the basic function of the FBI, a fact that has apparently eluded Judge Webster as he sifts his myriad statistics.

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studied by the strike force involves placing total responsibility for arson investigation in the police department. The proposal

## Robbery victim injury should be considered in court prosecutions

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decides to heatup or stah his victim," then he should be "in an awful lot more trouble" with the authorities

"The current policy seems to he that if you kill your victim you are, of course, really going to get the book thrown at you," he added. "But if you injure your victim then you will not be prosecuted specially."

Defining a victim to be injured by whether he required medical treatment after a robhery, the study found that 5 pereent of the gun robbery victims were injured, while 10 percent of the knife robhery victims were harmed. One out of 10 unarmed robbery victims were injured, and 13 percent required medical treatment from robberies committed by assailants using weapons other than guns or knives.

Unarmed robberies accounted for the highest attack rate, with 71 percent of the victims reporting assaults. The attack rate for gun robberies was 20 percent; knife robberies, 30 percent, and robberies involving other weapons, 56 percent, according to the report.

The researchers theorized that the guntoting robber has a less violent pattern

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because the offender without a gun feels a greater need to intimidate his victim by attempting to inflict injury.

Although the study noted that the rype of weapon used by an offender cannot serve as an indicator for predicting future criminal behavior, the researchers said that a larger percentage of persons committing an unarmed robbery are likely to be rearrested than robbers using firearms. Similarly, a robber who does not use a gun is much more likely to be arrested for an assaultive crime than his gun-using counterpart, the report observed.

Another finding indicated that robberies involving more than one assailant are more likely to result in injury to the victim. "You would expect that if there were several robhers holding up an individual victim, there would be less likelihood of injury to the victim, because they could presumably intimidate him by their very mass presence," Cook noted. "But there is a very strong correlation between the number of robbers and the likelihood of being

In attempting to explain the phenomena, the professor said he believes that "in these cases you have a group of nonprofessionals out looking for kicks, or entertainment, and possibly on drugs and egging

While the report has not yet been published, copies are available on interlibrary loan from the National Criminal Justice Reference Service. For details, call (202) 862-2900, or send an interlibrary loan form to: Document Loan Program, National Criminal Justice Reference Service, Box 6000, Rockville, MD 20850.

#### Criminal division head promises no firings in unit's shake-up

tempted to reassure his staff, noting that the Darman proposals focus only on the division's structural efficiency

"I'm not trying to get rid of anybody," he said. "It's just the opposite, We have terrible problems all over the law enforcement world, and very few senior attorneys with the experience and wisdom to handle them. So I want to use them as well as I can, I may not have discussed jobs with each section head, but I do want each of those people to stay. This reorganization was designed without consideration of per-

One of Heymann's special assistants indicated that the reshuffling may improve the working environment within the division. "We really want to make the criminal division a place that's as attractive to have job as the U.S. Attorney's office in the Southern District of New York."

The major personnel changes envisioned by the plan would move Philip White, the present chief of the Legislation and Special Projects Section, to a new Legal Support Services Office, which would handle the granting of immunity, tax disclosures, freedom of information requests, and other support services.

The current head of the Government Regulations and Labor Section, Philip Wilens, would be placed in the proposed Office of Enforcement Operations to oversec electronic surveillance and other policing matters.

If Mark Richard is promoted to deputy assistant attorney general for policy and management, as is expected, his Fraud Section would be handed over to Richard

No personnel decisions have been reached on a number of areas covered by the plan. It is still unclear who will head the proposed International Office, and the career fates of George Calhoun and Alfred Hantman, whose sections would be eliminated, have yet to be decided. However, Heymann said that one of the two may become chief of the new General Litigation and Legal Advice Section.

Congress may act on the reorganization effort by the end of this month. Since the Justice Department appropriation is based on a section-by-section budget evaluation, congressional approval is needed before the plan can be officially implemented.

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sent out a message to all law enforcement authorities that juveniles are entitled to the protections set out for adult offenders in the landmark self-incrimination case.

The Louisiana Supreme Court had held that in the case where a 13-year-old boy had confessed to killing a nine-year-old girl, the juvenile could waive his privilege against self-incrimination or his right to counsel without first consulting a parent or interested informed adult,

The burden of proof that the juvenile had waived the Miranda rights lies with the state, the court held, adding that the state must show that the juvenile consulted was aware of the implications of a waiver of the

While the action denying review does not set a precedent for the country, the message that Miranda warnings are applicable to juveniles cannot be ignored by those involved in the administration of justice. (Louisiana v. Dino, No. 78-533, denied re view December 12, 1978.)

The following ease has been placed on the Court's docket for appellate review consideration Miranda Warnings

The Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit has held that a defendant was not in custody while sitting in the car of a deputy sheriff who was a personal friend, answering questions about a marriuana supply operation. Therefore, the appellate panel ruled, the depury's failure to give the Miranda warnings did not make statements

Two attorneys for the defendant question whether the trial court committed a reversible error in admitting the confession and admission which was obtained from the defendant without the benefit of the Miranda warnings - while he was in the deputy's car. (havreau v United States. 78 745, petition filed November 3 1978 1

## New York City's arson problems point to need for a coordinated fire investigation effort

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posed of teams staffed by marshals and police detectives.

This proposal seems to have merit. On the surface, it appears that such a system would eliminate interagency rivalries once the men join ranks. However, this system could backfire even after marshals and detectives begin working harmoniously toward a common goal. The problem of coordination may actually be compounded in that there would be a third agency that must coordinate its efforts with both the police and fire departments. After a short period of time, rivalry and overlapping jurisdiction would probably again

The final alternative involves the implementation of an arson task force which would coordinate the arson functions of all concerned agencies in a cooperative effort. The problem with formulating this system is deciding on the role for which each agency should be responsible.

The proposal is viable provided a proper system is established. In devising this system, care must he taken to respect the needs, sensitivities, and responsibilities of each concerned group. The men who are responsible for defining the roles of each group should be knowledgeable in arson investigation and be free of political motives

Many fite marshals interviewed were appreliensive about the task force concept They expressed the fear that the people involved in formulating the task force might be politically motivated and lose sight of

its principle objective. Many felt that those in power would use the task force as a tool to undermine fire marshals' authority.

Citing a Bronx study in which the concept was tested, the marshals contended that statistics and theory did not always reflect reality. Their comments seem to have some merit in view of a recent newspaper report which stated that arson in the city has stabilized except for an 11 percent rise in the area controlled by the prototype Bronx Task Force,

The police officers who were interviewed said they wouldn't mind being part of a permanent arson task force However, none of the officers interviewed were detective investigators, which leads one to wonder about their potential effectiveness at a fire scene.

Several district attorneys in New York have been advocating separate and distinct responsibilities, with marshals performing the fire investigation aspect of an arson probe and the police performing the criminal investigation portion.

Building a task force on such a basis would probably be workable in a community where arson is largely ignored, and all agencies are enthusiastic about working in concert on a new facet of their respective vocations. A rural, or suburban community where the fire and police departments are not heavily involved in arson would be the ideal setting for such a sys-

But in an urban setting like New York's, the situation is different. The National Fire Prevention and Control Administration (NFPCA) has found that in order for the task force system to be successful, officials must obtain complete cooperation from all agencies involved. This cooperation has never existed between the Fire and Police Departments in New York. It is doubtful that the relationship will become more amicable when the marshals are told that their function is being reduced to that of a "technician," and the firefighters are informed that they are losing an avenue of

The interagency bickering that would arise out of the implementation of the task force concept could lead to a situation where the police investigator is denied technical assistance from fire marshals in the criminal portion of the probe. Consequently, the detective would be seriously impeded in his line of investigation and may fail to recognize significant facts which could be crucial to the case.

While it is contended that arson investigation is best left in the hands of the fire marshals, an independent study should be conducted before any of the four proposals is considered for implementation.

I believe that such a study would demonstrate that personnel who are experienced firefighters can he trained to become effective arson investigators. There is room for improvement in the present fire marshal system, but meaningful change will not come merely by reshuffling organizational structures. The marshals require more manpower, berter equipment and improved access to police resources to stem - No the tide of America's fastest growing crime

torney in Norfolk County, who concurred that most of the drugs ar Walpole are smuggled in by visitors, including participants in the numerous programs which depend on volunteers.

The prosecutor and rhe union leader both suggested that contact visits be terminated and that transparent partitions he installed to separate inmates from their visitors. "Then, if drugs come in, we can point a finger at the people who work here." McLaughlin stated.

The inmates who were willing to talk about the narcotics problem said that Talwin, a synthetic pain killer, is presently the most widely used drug at Walpole. They added that Talwin pills that can be purchased with a prescription for 15 cents each on the outside, sell for as high as \$5 apiece inside the prison walls.

Marijuana and sedatives are also commonly used in the institution, with the price of a single marijuana cigarette ranging from \$3 to \$10, according to the inmates. Cocaine and heroin use is restricted due to the high prison cost of the drugs, which is inflated by as much as 2,000 percent over street prices.

The incidents of drug use and violence at Walpole have somewhat overshadowed a related allegation which was directed toward the prison's sanitary and health eonditions. According to the Herald-American, Massachusetts' Human Service Secretary Delores Mitchell recommended last month that Walpole be shut down in light of recent Public Health Department reports of unsanitary conditions and repeated incidents of violence.

Mitchell's suggestion was apparently cast into limbo after two state representatives took a tour of the prison, and found that there was no immediate need to close the institution.

"There are, of course, some horrendous scenes, some caused by the inmates themselves," Representative William Robinson

#### Chicago cops differ on vet rules

Continued from Page 1 and that Pounian has the discretion of whether to grant the extra credits.

Curtin, meanwhile, is standing on his contention that a personnel rule regarding veterans status that went into effect on January 1, 1979 does apply to his ease and does not specify that points be granted only to veterans with wartime duty.

As Judge Dunne considers the merits of Curtin's suit, his District Court colleague, Judge Richard Curry, is examining the pleaof 37 sergeants who took the Chicago PD's lieutenants exam during the same month that the captains test was given. The group contends that they will fall further down the list if veterans points are added.

It appears that the sergeants are hedging their bets in the event that Curtin is suceessful with his sutt. They are asking Curry for an injunction to prohibit the city from following rhrough on what they say is an intention to add the preference credits to the captains and lieutenants exams

The sergeants contended that the added points were not mentioned at the time of the exam, the personnel rules do not make provisions for the credits, especially for peacetime service, and that to allow the granting of points at this time would constitute a breach of contract and the denial of due process.

said after his inspection, "But it's more peaceful than it was on my last visit [four years ago]. I don't say it's all calm and serene, but it's more peaceful."

Reporters who participated in the tour quoted three prisoners who complained about layers of leftover food and trash that littered the floor of their cell block. Officials noted that some of the inmates had thrown the debris to protest their inclusion in a punitive lockup.

Walpole's deputy superintendent for programs, George Vose, said that the lockup was ordered in four blocks after the November 15 stabbing death of an inmate. He added that the action was taken as a means to investigate causes of the "excessive violence" in the maximum security section of the prison.

Commenting on the conditions in the segregated area, Vose observed that inmates are responsible for cleaning their own cell blocks. "Their incentive to keep their housing unit neat is not great," he

In a letrer to the Boston Globe, Superi-

or Court Justice Henry II. Chmielinski Jr. blamed the unsanitary conditions and the violence at Walpole on "a small number of prisoners." The judge based his observations on a recent visit he made as part of his judicial duties.

The conditions in Block 4 and Block 10 are frightful," he wrote, "Fecal matter and garbage cover the floors, obscenings are scrawled on the walls and a general air of decay permeates the atmosphere, But who created these conditions? Certainly not the administration nor guards but rather the inmates themselves."

While the public debate surrounding the conditions at Walpole rages on, a special commission of the Massachusetts legislature has called for the implementation of a uniform sentencing policy that could lead to a doubling of the number of state in-

The proposal by the Legislative Commission on Uniform Sentencing and Revision of the Criminal Law Statutes would require the construction of three new prisons, thereby increasing the number of insti-

rutions maintained by the Department of

Noting that the present sentencing system is "archaic and confusing and rob bing society of the justice it deserves," the commission recommended the imposition of minimum mandatory sentences for erimes against persons and property, with longer jail terms for repeat offenders.

The panel's plan, which would reportedly double the state's correctional budget of \$20 million, includes other provisions that would dilute the discretionary power of state judges by prohibiting indeterminate sentences and strip the state's parole board of its authority to release inmates from

All of the commission's recommendations involve changes in the state's criminal code, and will be subject to a public hearing before the legislative Judiciary Committee. Final approval of the plan must come from the full legislature and from Governor Edward J. King, who outlined mandatory sentencing policies of his own during his election campaign last year.

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March 28-29, 1979. Workshop in Jail Administration. To be held at the University of Alabama in Birmingham, For further information, contact. Dr. James Opolot, Dept. of Criminal Justice, University of Alabama, Birmingham, Al. 35294. Telephone: (205) 934-2069.

March 29-31, 1979. Scientific Investigation of Crime Seminar. To he held in Miami, Florida by the University of Alaska's Police Training Program, For more details, contact: Department of Continuing Studies, Police Training Programs, 101 Eilson Building, University of Alaska, Fairbanks, AS 99701.

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# Police call-in program seen as boon to persons living alone

The life of a Lynchburg, Virginia woman was saved recently by a phone call from the city's sheriff's department which was made as a routine part of the agency's Operation Call In program. The woman is one of 25 participants in the expanding project that is designed to provide a lifeline to the community for persons who live alone.

When the woman became deathly ill and was unable to make her daily call to the sheriff's department, a call-in operator phoned her. Receiving no response, the operator dispatched a patrol car to the woman's home. The officers found the woman unconscious on the floor, and rushed her to the hospital where she re-

Sheriff L.W. Simpson reported that the woman is alive today because someone cared. "That's what Operation Call In is all about - showing compassion and concern for people who live alone," he said.

Simpson developed the community service program from similar projects that are operating in other cities after an apparent needless tragedy occurred in his community. "Just one block from my office in the Lynchburg City Jail and one block from the Lynchburg Police Department, an elderly lady died and wasn't discovered for three days,"

Remarking that "we don't discriminate," the sheriff said that the program is open to any of the city's single residents. He observed that many people who live alone are elderly or persons with severe medical problems.

"It's very simple," Simpson said of the program's operation. "There is no cost involved. All we ask is that participants call us each day between 9 A.M. and 2 P.M. to lct us know they're all right."

In cases where a participant fails to call. Operation Call In initiates a step-by-step search. "We call them," the sheriff noted

"If we don't get an answer, then we'll call the next door neighbor. If the neighbor isn't home or hasn't seen the individual, then we'll send a sheriff's car out to the home and cheek on the person,"

The sheriff's department has made it relatively simple for live-alones to sign up for the program, requesting that they merely call for an application form, "We ask them to give us their name, address and phone number, the address of their nearest neighbor or relative and their doctor's telephone number," Simpson stated.

In addition to mailing the prospective member an application form, program officials send each client an operation sheet that explains the program and a set of stickers listing Operation Call In phone

"When they send the application form back, we telephone them saying we have received it, and from that day forth they are official members of Operation Call In," the sheriff noted.

Simpson is looking forward to the continued growth of the project and he indicated that he would like to see it expand to a total community effort. "It's my fervent hope that Operation Call In will grow to such demand that I won't be able to handle it," he said, "Then we can turn it over to an interested community group,"

-Tom Spratt



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#### New products for law enforcement

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SENIOR FILM - "Crime Senior Alert" offers the elderly practical information designed to help them protect themselves from becoming victims of the growing trend in crimes against the senior citizens.

Emphasizing that the elderly can take positive action to avoid being victimized, the 18-minute color film illustrates such simple protective rules as "never let a stranger into your home" and "never argue with a gun."

Specific crime situations are covered, with the movie providing tips on protecting a home against burglary, foiling a purse snatcher, developing safe car habits and avoiding high-risk areas.

By portraying active seniors who are aware of the crime problem, the film is designed to show the elderly that they can take meaningful precautions before becoming victims, rather than after the fact,

The film was produced by AIMS Institctional Media with consultant assistance from the Crime Prevention for Senior Program of Montgomery County, Maryland. the Crime Prevention Unit of Pinellas County, Florida Sheriff's Department, and the Mansfield, Ohio Police Department.

For purchase and rental information, contact: AIMS Instructional Media, Inc., 626 Justin Avenue, Glendale, CA 91201. Telephone: (213) 240-9300.

CORRESPONDENCE COURSE - A 13week home study course, entitled "Principles of Investigation and Security," is available from Western College of Criminology, a two-year post-secondary institution which was founded last year.

Designed to qualify students for positions in the private security industry, the course covers such topics as survey and investigation of industrial environments,

shoplifting, courtroom presentation, security against civil disturbances, fundamentals of identity and background records, industrial sabotage, surveillance and stakeout, and report writing fundamentals.

The certificate home studies program attempts to teach practical techniques of security and investigation rather than examining the causes of criminal behavior Approved by the California State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Western College also offers a residence degree program.

For complete information, write West ern College of Criminology, 23842 5 Hawthorne Boulevard, Torrance, CA

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When the resident is at home, he can activate the interior loop for intrusion protection. For added security, the unit contains an emergency alarm function which is set off hy pushing two asterisk keys on the panel, sounding either an audible or an optional silent signal. An independent fire loop is included to power and monitor smoke detectors

For additional information, Sentry Technology, Inc.; 222 Mt. Hermon Road, Santa Cruz, CA 95066. Telephone (408) 438-3311.

RAPE PSYCHOLOGY FILM - Produced for use in law enforcement training programs and in public information forums, "Rape and the Rapist" dramatizes the findings of recent surveys which have uncovered some important trends, background details and characteristics that many rapists share.

In examining the phenomenon of gang rape, the movie points out that it generally takes place when a victim is in the wrong place at the wrong time, However, the film stresses that nearly 75 percent of all rapes are pre-planned, with the rapist designing a story and performance that will give him a psychological advantage over his victim.

More information is available from Motorola Teleprograms Inc., 4825 North Scott Street, Suite 23, Schiller Park, IL 60176, Telephone: (800) 323-1900.

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